

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street
Soldotna, AK 99669

May 15, 2000

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Ms. Deborah Germano, President
Mrs. Debra Mullins, Vice President
Mrs. Susan Larned, Clerk
Mrs. Sammy Crawford, Treasurer
Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross, Member
Dr. Nels Anderson, Member
Mr. Mike Chenault, Member
Miss Melinda Haring, Student Representative

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick Hickey, Assistant Superintendent, Operations and Business Management
Dr. Ed McLain, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction
Mr. Todd Syverson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Paul Kubena	Mr. Sean Dusek
Mr. Ken Meacham	Mrs. Mary Kennedy
Mrs. Robin Williams	Mrs. Beth Kellie
Mr. Dave McCard	Mrs. Pauline Mills
Mr. John Mills	Mrs. Tina Stamer
Mr. Elmer Bird	Miss Katy Mills
Mrs. Pat Bird	Mr. Don Glaze
Mr. Lee Young	Mrs. Sylvia Reynolds
Miss Dixie Bird	Mrs. Lisa Stroh
Miss Angelea Woods	Mrs. Lori Manion
Miss Emily Rohloff	Mrs. Shana Loshbaugh
Miss Olivia Bowen	Ms. Patty Tilbury
Mr. Tyler Smith	Mr. Mike Wetherbee
Miss Mandy Bundy	Ms. Kathy Godek
Mrs. Sharon Traughber	Mrs. Beth Kellie
Mr. Bruce Rife	Mr. Wayne Pattison
Miss Annie Tremain	Mrs. Lynn Pattison
Mr. Roy Bird	Mrs. Sue Liebner
Mrs. Lisa Bird	Ms. Trena Richardson

Others present not identified.

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Germano called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum of School Board members, Dr. Anderson, Mrs. Larned, Mrs. Mullins, Mrs. Crawford and Ms. Germano were in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 5:31 p.m., Mrs. Crawford moved the Board go into executive session to discuss subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion. Specifically, the executive session was to conduct a student expulsion hearing. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:35 p.m., Mrs. Mullins moved the executive session be adjourned. Mrs. Larned seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ms. Germano invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:	Ms. Deborah Germano	Present
	Mrs. Debra Mullins	Present
	Mrs. Susan Larned	Present
	Mrs. Sammy Crawford	Present
	Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross	Absent/Excused
	Dr. Nels Anderson	Present
	Mr. Mike Chenault	Absent/Excused
	Miss Melinda Haring	Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved with the addition of item Number 7L., Student Recognition, and a revision to item Number 10a.(5), Resignations.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The School Board Minutes of May 1, 2000, were approved with a correction.

SCHOOL REPORTS: Mrs. Robin Williams, Nikiski Middle/High School principal, reported that the school had two broad goals relating to instruction and school climate. She reported that the Critical Incident Team met five times and that it has been a tough year. She reported that as part of the instruction goal, the staff focused on the implementation of content standards by aligning their instruction with the High School Qualifying Exam. She stated that students were also taught that what they were learning was pertinent to life as well as the school standard. She noted that she would periodically ask teachers and students what content standard they were working on or learning about that day and soon became known through out the school as the "Quiz Lady." She stated that the school climate goal related to positive community relations which included streamlining their school newsletter. She reported that there are almost 100 parents on the school email address list and that they receive weekly notifications and updates regarding school happenings. She reported that the school implemented a faculty wellness campaign, and she displayed a booklet containing wellness suggestions and a section to individually keep track of accomplishments via a point system. She noted that prizes were awarded to staff members with the most points.

Mrs. Manion reported that the school sent four teachers to the Alaska Quality Schools Initiative Workshop last summer. She stated that after their return, the staff presented the workshop information to the rest of the school faculty. Mrs. Manion stated that personally, the information was a good introduction to the standards and that teachers began using the standards as a goal when developing lesson plans. She stated that later in the school year the school conducted an inservice on developing methods to present content standards to the students. Mrs. Manion reported that Mrs. Williams regularly quizzed teachers about how they were using standards. She reported that the four teachers who attended the workshop gave presentations each Wednesday, made public school announcements in the morning with information regarding content standards, and concluded the announcements by asking students what standard was being addressed that day. She reported that prizes were awarded to students who knew what standard was

being discussed. Mrs. Manion reported that the eighth grade team conducted a week-long integrated unit concentrating on content standards.

SCHOOL REPORTS (continued):

Miss Ramona Baker reported that students were given a paper listing the standards for each class. She stated that students discussed the standards and how they were used. She stated that teachers periodically asked students what standard was being used that day. She reported that in each class students completed a project that directly related to content standards and she cited some examples. She explained the directions to a card game that was used with students to emphasize content standards. She stated that the winners of the card game won prizes. Miss Baker presented the Board with a survey that included student comments about content standards. She stated that, overall, students feel that standards are goals that need to be met and that they help students realize that they must work hard in high school and can't just "breeze through."

Mrs. Manion explained that algebra students were required to compile a portfolio that included specific examples demonstrating that they fully understood and met the standard that they chose. She noted that the students did a nice job and that it was a great way to ensure that standards were met.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Dr. Kathy Schwartz, art education specialist, announced that she has accepted a position as the art education director for James Madison University. She stated that she has enjoyed her position with the District. She announced that she is also on the Board of Directors for the Kennedy Center and added that there will be a Summer Art Institute program in June for adults and children. She stated that on behalf of the Kennedy Center's Alliance for Art Education, she would like to recognize Moose Pass Elementary, Mt. View Elementary, Nikiski Elementary, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High, North Star Elementary, Redoubt Elementary, Sears Elementary, Seward Elementary, Soldotna Elementary, Chapman Elementary, Sterling Elementary, Tustumena Elementary, Cooper Landing Elementary, K-Beach Elementary, Kenai Middle, and Kenai Alternative High for their various achievements in art education. She extended congratulations to all District middle and secondary schools for their continued commitment to art education. She thanked Dr. Donna Peterson for insisting on a comprehensive art education for all students, Rosie Reeder for her assistance in coordinating a national award-winning summer art program, Dorothy Gray for providing continuing support for developing and scheduling art education staff development courses, and Kathy Godek for organizing and coordinating the school art education displays. She thanked the School Board for the two years she served as the District art education specialist and she wished them the best for continued success with a quality art education program. She especially thanked McNeil Canyon Elementary for their exceptional dedication to art education for all students.

Mr. Dave McCard, parent, proudly announced that for the third year in a row, his daughter and her team have qualified to attend the National Future Problem Solving (FPS) competition in Athens, Georgia. He stated that the cost of sending the team would be over \$1,000 for each student. He stated that he was told that there is approximately \$10,000 left in this year's account to be used to reimburse athletic teams that compete at the state level. He asked the Board to consider reimbursing the \$290 team registration fee with any remaining money from the athletic competition account. He stated that the FPS team parents would be happy with any money leftover but next year they hope to be considered equally. He requested the Board place academic excellence on a par with athletic excellence. He stated that he believes in the value of athletics as well as the value of academics but does not believe they have to be mutually exclusive terms.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: Dr. McLain reported that the superintendent received two letters: one from the Port Graham Governance Site-Based Committee expressing their concern for District budget cuts, and one from Homer High students regarding graduation supplies contracts.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: Several students received awards for their artwork, which was on display at the Capitol Building in Juneau and later in the Borough Assembly Room.

Board members presented golden apple awards to Pauline Mills, Tustumena head secretary; Patty Tilbury, Ninilchik Elementary/High custodian; Beth Kellie, North Star Elementary volunteer; Tina Stamer, North Star Elementary Title I tutor; Sharon Traugher, Nikiski Middle/High attendance secretary; Bruce Rife, Soldotna High School science teacher; Lynn Pattison, Nikiski Middle/High School volunteer; Sean Dusek, Soldotna Middle School math teacher and athletic director; and Dave McCard, Sterling Elementary second grade teacher.

The Board presented engraved gold pans as retirement gifts to Sharon Traugher and Jeanie Partee, and a library book in lieu of a gold pan was donated to Seward Elementary School for Kay Smith. Silvia Masis and Richard Gennari were also recognized but were not present to accept their gold pans.

Miss Haring recognized Matt Peters and Tesa Rhyner, Kenai Central High School seniors, for their outstanding community service and volunteer work.

Ms. Germano recognized Miss Haring for her outstanding service as the School Board representative during the past year.

RECESS: At 8:29 p.m., Ms. Germano called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS: At 8:32 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. McLain reminded the Board of the upcoming graduation schedule beginning Wednesday, May 17. He reported that the final Administrator Meeting was held Tuesday, May 9, and that the Central Office planning retreat was held Thursday, May 11. He announced that the School Board planning session will be held on Tuesday, June 6.

Certified Diploma Report and
Recommendations:

Dr. Ed McLain presented the certified diploma report and recommendations and thanked the Committee participants for their work. He stated that there are some critical questions coming up within the next year and solicited the Board's input and recommendations. He stated that no action was required at present but that the recommendations and action plans would return for approval at a future meeting. He referred the Board to the District and Committee accomplishments over the past three years. Dr. McLain summarized the history leading to the development of the statement of charge. He reported that the Committee wanted to make it clear that a defined level of performance referred to the establishment of a foundation. He stated that the Committee wanted to distinguish between the target for students and advanced proficiency standards. He stated that the Committee feels that the District process of first identifying foundational skill levels and then determining how to assess or document acquisition of those skill levels provide a "clean" level of achievement. He stated that the Committee is presently trying to determine whether to give endorsements for outstanding achievement and cited some examples of proposed advanced assessments and indicators. Dr. McLain read a quote by Robin Williams, Nikiski Middle/High principal, that was written to help the public better understand the District's focus on students not only passing the high school qualifying exam but also pushing them towards proficient and advanced levels. Dr. McLain stated that he, Mark, and Gary Whiteley will be carefully comparing the District and state competency levels to make sure they match. He reported that the Committee developed and tested the performance indicators and cut scores, and he commended Mr. Leal, Mr. Ladd, Mr. Osborne, and Mr. Liebner for their work on this effort. He suggested that the Board conduct a worksession prior to the approval of the recommendations.

Dr. Anderson noted that the certified diploma effort has been the driving force in changing the way the District provides instruction at the earlier grades. He noted that by ensuring student assessments are conducted at each level, students are more prepared for high school requirements. He referred the Board to the draft assessment indicator continuum and noted that there are specific guidelines through the eighth grade that have received quite a bit of work. He stated that the graduation requirements are still very nebulous because the Committee is waiting for the High School Qualifying Exam results. Dr. Anderson suggested that after the results are received, the Committee should decide, with Board direction, to establish standardization across the District. He cited an example regarding science classes that are named the same but the content is not the same throughout the District. He stated that he feels it is important to have draft standards, even if they are changed in the future. He noted that the Committee should standardize the science and social studies courses and decide whether to use diploma endorsements or overall regents certification. He suggested the Board conduct a worksession to discuss the certified diploma report and recommendations in more detail.

Dr. McLain stated that the results of the High School Qualifying Exam will not be available until mid-to late October 2000 and will be shared with the Board. Ms. Germano suggested that the report recommendations become part of the discussion during the June Board planning session. Dr. McLain asked the Board to schedule the Certified Diploma report recommendations for approval at the July 10 Board meeting so that staff can begin work for the next school year. He stated that a detailed worksession could still be held in October after the scores are received.

Certified Diploma Report and
Recommendations (continued):

Dr. Anderson suggested the Board review the graduation requirements at the same worksession.

Mrs. Crawford thanked Dr. McLain and the Certified Diploma Committee for the report and encouraged the Board to continue to work towards advanced and proficient levels of the graduation diploma.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending April 30, 2000. Mr. Hickey stated that he is concerned about how closely the District will end the 1999-2000 school year. He reported that the District is spending \$522 per employee per month for health insurance and today agreed to assess each employee an additional dollar per month.

BOARD REPORTS:

Dr. Anderson stated that the reduction of high school nurses has put the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program in jeopardy and asked the Board to allocate some nursing hours to continue the program.

Miss Haring announced that Mario Bird, Nikiski High, and Nathaniel Brooks, Homer High, are semi-finalists for the Presidential Scholars.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items presented on the Consent Agenda were Budget Transfer Number 487; AR 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent; Aurora Borealis Charter School Expansion Plan; Class Size Reduction Initiative Grant; Resignation; Leave of Absence Request/Certified; Leave of Absence Request/Support; and Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract.

Budget Transfer Number 487:

Mr. Hickey recommended the Board approve Budget Transfer Number 487 for \$98,000 to cover costs for 2 portable classrooms and playground fencing and equipment.

AR 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent:

By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve the adoption of AR 2124, Evaluation of the Superintendent. The regulation requires a mid-year review of the superintendent's performance to be conducted between the superintendent and Board president. The annual evaluation will occur with the entire Board and the superintendent prior to June 30.

Aurora Borealis Charter School Expansion Plan:

Mr. Hickey recommended the Board approve the Aurora Borealis Charter School plan to grow by one classroom per year.

Class Size Reduction Initiative Grant:

Dr. McLain recommended the Board approve the Class Size Reduction Initiative grant for the 2000-2001 school year. This grant is designed to lower class sizes in Grades 1 through 3 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.

Resignation:

Mr. Syverson recommended the Board approve resignations from Richard Gennari, Grade 5, North Star Elementary; Katherine Schwartz, art specialist, districtwide instruction; Gregory Maddigan, English/social studies, Homer High; Tamie Bebee, special education/resource, West Homer Elementary; and Wendy Weber, special education/resource, Chapman Elementary.

Leave of Absence Request/Certified:

Mr. Syverson recommended the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence request from Steve Smith, principal/teacher, Cooper Landing Elementary.

Leave of Absence Request/Support:

Mr. Syverson recommended the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence request from Marcia Boone, school secretary III, Homer Middle.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract:

Mr. Syverson recommended the Board approve a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Carol Boehmler, QUEST, Mt. View Elementary.

ACTION Mrs. Mullins moved the Board approve Consent Agenda Items Numbers 1 through 8. Mrs. Crawford seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Administrator Assignments: By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve the appointment of Ray Hillman as principal of Voznesenka Elementary and Trena Richardson as principal of K-Beach Elementary.

ACTION Mrs. Larned moved the Board approve the appointment of Ray Hillman as principal of Voznesenka Elementary and Trena Richardson as principal of K-Beach Elementary. Mrs. Crawford seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Student Expulsion:
ACTION Mrs. Mullins moved the Board approve the following: "Board policy 5144.1 allows the administration to recommend expulsion for severe or prolonged breaches of discipline. H.F. has four out-of-school suspensions for misconduct during the 1999-2000 school year. In addition, she has had four after-school suspensions, three in-school suspensions, and other warnings and privilege losses. Her behavior on April 26, 2000, is a danger to others and is inimical to the welfare and safety of other pupils. As such, H.F. is expelled for one calendar year, until May 15, 2001, for violation of KPBSD policy 5144.1(a). H.F. shall be allowed early readmission to a KPBSD facility in the spring semester 2001 upon compliance with the following conditions:

1. A thorough psychological evaluation is completed with a statement from the doctor that H.F. is not a danger to herself or others and that H.F. is in compliance with the doctor's recommendations and treatment.
2. Completion of anger management courses. Completion of ATOSS would fulfill this requirement.
3. H.F. comes back before the Board at or prior to the first meeting in January 2001 for readmission to ensure compliance with the above conditions. The administration shall come forth with an updated recommendation to the Board. The doctor's report referenced in condition 1 shall be updated as to whether H.F. is presenting a danger to herself and others and whether she is complying with the doctor's recommendations.

H.F. is given an opportunity to enroll in the Connections Program." Mrs. Crawford seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Nikiski Reconfiguration Project
Recommendations:

Mr. Hickey recommended the Board approve a recommendation from the Advisory Committee for the Reconfiguration of Nikiski Elementary School to advertise for architectural schematic services only utilizing those funds previously appropriated by the Borough Assembly. Mr. Hickey explained that the current recommendation is different from the one brought to them at the March 6 meeting. He reminded the Board that the earlier recommendation was to halt further efforts toward reconfiguration of the Nikiski Area schools due to the declining enrollment. He also added that a question was raised concerning the validity of the reconfiguration project estimate and the administration was directed to permit the Committee to review the estimate. He stated that his recommendation remains the same but, on behalf of the Reconfiguration Committee, they request that the architectural money set aside by the Borough, be appropriated for a schematic design to reconfigure the Nikiski Area schools.

Mrs. Robin Williams stated that she attended the Reconfiguration Committee meeting and urged the Board to go forward with the monies appropriated by the Borough for architectural design work. She explained that the Nikiski area experiences enrollment fluctuations and that the community wants to be prepared should the enrollment increase again. She added that the general consensus of the Committee was that there has been a long lag time, which has been detrimental to the purpose of the project. She stated that the Committee is requesting to complete the process using money already appropriated by the Borough.

Mr. Wayne Pattison, Reconfiguration Committee Representative, explained that the need to reconfigure the Nikiski Area schools has been a community desire for approximately fifteen years. He stated that the Committee is concerned that the momentum towards the reconfiguration will be lost due to the retirement of staff and parents who loose interest because their children have graduated. He stated that middle school parents who are directly affected by the reconfiguration are only involved for two years. He stated that the Committee feels that this time the District needs to proceed with the schematics.

ACTION

Mrs. Mullins moved the Board approve item Number 10d., the Advisory Committee's recommendation. Mrs. Larned seconded.

Dr. Anderson stated that with the declining birth rate on the Kenai Peninsula, it is difficult to vote for the spending of \$40,000 of the taxpayer's money. He added that he would support a worksession on the recommendation if it were postponed.

Mrs. Mullins stated that she would like to vote on the reconfiguration recommendation now because the Committee has worked on it for a number of years and because the Board needs to be proactive. She added that even with declining enrollments, it would be better to have one elementary school, one middle or junior high school and one high school for the Nikiski area. She asked the Board to allow the schematics to be readied in case money is available.

ACTION

Mrs. Crawford moved the Board postpone action on item Number 10d. until the Board has an opportunity to have a worksession. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Mrs. Crawford withdrew her motion to postpone action on item Number 10d. to allow for further debate. Dr. Anderson concurred.

Ms. Germano asked Mr. Hickey about the status of the Soldotna Middle School project. Mr. Hickey stated that he would find out the answer.

Nikiski Reconfiguration Project
Recommendations (continued):

ACTION Mrs. Crawford moved the Board postpone action on item Number 10d. until the Board has an opportunity to have a worksession. Dr. Anderson seconded.

VOTE ON POSTPONEMENT:

YES – Anderson, Crawford, Larned, Germano

NO – Mullins

Advisory Vote – YES

Motion carried.

BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools: By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve a revision to BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools, which will align the District policy more closely with the Association of Alaska School Board model.

ACTION Mrs. Crawford moved the Board approve revision to BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools. Mrs. Larned seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BP 2122, Superintendent of Schools: Job Description: By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve a revision to BP 2122, Superintendent of Schools: Job Description, which will align the District policy more closely with the Association of Alaska School Board model.

ACTION Mrs. Larned moved the Board approve a revision to BP 2122, Superintendent of Schools: Job Description. Mrs. Mullins seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BP 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent: By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve a revision to BP 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent, which will align the District policy more closely with the Association of Alaska School Board model.

ACTION Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve a revision to BP 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent. Mrs. Mullins seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils: By memorandum, Dr. Peterson recommended the Board approve the adoption of BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils. The new language updates information regarding school-based management/site councils.

ACTION Mrs. Crawford moved the Board approve the adoption of BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils. Mrs. Mullins seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: Mr. Wayne Pattison, Nikiski Reconfiguration Committee Representative, stated that without a schematics design the community cannot apply for outside funding for the reconfiguration project. He asked the Board to consider that issue during their June worksession.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (continued): Mrs. Sharon Traughber asked when the Board would reconsider the Nikiski reconfiguration recommendations. Mrs. Mullins explained that the Board will have a worksession to discuss a proposed bond issue that might include the Nikiski reconfiguration project. Mr. Hickey stated that the worksession will be June 5.

Mrs. Traughber asked how long the Borough would reserve the \$40,000 designated for the reconfiguration project. Mr. Hickey responded that he did not think there was a time limit. Mrs. Traughber stated that the community recognizes that there is a decline in enrollment but the Committee's first goal was to do what was best for students. She asked the Board to keep in mind that the Nikiski reconfiguration has been a community project and not a users' group project and that a large representation of the community was surveyed. Mrs. Traughber told the Board that the Committee would like to work with the Board to resolve the reconfiguration issue.

Miss Haring announced that this will be her last Board meeting.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Dr. Anderson stated that he was thrilled at the number of employee and volunteer awards. He commented that Miss Haring has been an enthusiastic student representative and he added that he has appreciated her insight. He wished her well with her future plans. He stated that being a School Board member is a difficult job and each member tries to make the best decisions for students with the funds that are available. He stated that the Board hopes to obtain some construction projects that will meet the needs of students.

Mrs. Mullins commented that the student art work displayed in the Assembly Chambers has brightened the room. She stated that she appreciated the maintenance worksession held earlier in the day and that the information from the Borough mayor, finance director and maintenance director was helpful. She commented that she is looking forward to attending the upcoming graduation ceremonies. She told those present that the Board does not usually present so many awards in one evening but pointed out that many staff members are gone during the summer. She commented that she was pleased that awards were also given to volunteers and added that she is amazed at how many parents and non-parents volunteer in District schools. Mrs. Mullins congratulated Mrs. Traughber on her retirement and stated that Mrs. Traughber greeted her sons each day when they attended Nikiski Elementary. She stated that it has been a pleasure to have Miss Haring as a student representative on the Board and noted that she has done an outstanding job. Mrs. Mullins stated that Miss Haring has continually put students in the forefront, communicated with them and brought them to the Board's attention. She stated that she appreciated Miss Haring's work during the AASB Legislative Fly-in.

Mrs. Crawford thanked Mrs. Williams for her school report. She congratulated Ms. Richardson for her appointment as principal of K-Beach Elementary. She noted that it was wonderful to recognize so many outstanding staff members and volunteers. Mrs. Crawford stated that she has appreciated Miss Haring's efforts in recognizing students. She stated that she hoped some of the money designated for student state competitions could go towards the Future Problem Solving national competition registration fees and that a permanent solution could be developed for future academic competitions.

BOARD COMMENTS (continued):

Mrs. Larned congratulated the award winners. She stated that she enjoyed the Nikiski Middle/High School report. She stated that she has recently attended soccer games, track events, baccalaureate ceremonies and the school production of *My Fair Lady* and commented that she is impressed by the amount of work that goes into these events. She reported that she visited Aurora Borealis Charter School and was impressed by the third grade class that was diagramming sentences. She stated that she appreciated Mr. McCard's comments regarding funding for academic competitions. She extended best wishes to Miss Haring.

Miss Haring thanked the Board members for the countless hours of hard work towards the education of District students. She thanked the District administration and Dr. Peterson. She expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to serve as the Board student representative. She asked the Board to protect advanced placement classes.

Ms. Germano echoed previous comments made by Board members. She thanked Mrs. Williams for the school report and Mr. McCard for his comments regarding Future Problem Solving funding. She thanked Miss Haring for being a wonderful student representative for the District as well as for the entire state of Alaska.

ADJOURN: At 9:36 p.m., Mrs. Mullins moved the School Board Meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Larned seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Deborah Germano, President

Mrs. Susan Larned, Clerk

The Minutes of May 15, 2000,
were approved on June 5, 2000
as written.